Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20552, and the Midwest Regional Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 122 W. John Carpenter Freeway, Suite 600, Dallas, Texas 75039–2010.

Dated: January 23, 1996.

By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Nadine Y. Washington, *Corporate Secretary.* 

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#### [AC-04; OTS No. 2715]

### Washington Federal Savings Bank, Washington, IA; Approval of Conversion Application

Notice is hereby given that on January 16, 1996, the Director, Corporate Activities, Office of Thrift Supervision, or her designee, acting pursuant to delegated authority, approved the application of Washington Federal Savings Bank, Washington, Iowa, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection at the Dissemination Branch, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and the Midwest Regional Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 122 W. John Carpenter Freeway, Suite 600, Dallas, Texas 75039-2010.

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Nadine Y. Washington,

Corporate Secretary.

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# The Citizens Loan and Savings Company, London, OH; Approval of Conversion Application

Notice is hereby given that on January 19, 1996, the Director, Corporate Activities, Office of Thrift Supervision, or her designee, acting pursuant to delegated authority, approved the application of The Citizens Loan and Savings Company, London, Ohio, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection at the Dissemination Branch, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and the Central Regional Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 200 West Madison Street, Suite 1300, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

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By the Office of Thrift Supervision. Nadine Y. Washington,

Corporate Secretary.

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#### [AC-06; OTS Nos. H-1935 and 00602]

# Fidelity Federal, M.H.C., Cincinnati, OH, Approval of Conversion Application

Notice is hereby given that on January 5, 1996, the Director, Corporate Activities, Office of Thrift Supervision, or her designee, acting pursuant to delegated authority, approved the application of Fidelity Federal, M.H.C., Cincinnati, Ohio, to convert to the stock form of organization. Copies of the application are available for inspection at the Dissemination Branch, Office of Thrift Supervision, 1700 G Street, NW., Washington, DC 20552, and the Central Regional Office, Office of Thrift Supervision, 200 West Madison Street, Suite 1300, Chicago, Illinois 60606.

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By the Office of Thrift Supervision.

Nadine Y. Washington,

Corporate Secretary.

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# UNITED STATES INFORMATION AGENCY

## Russian Civic Education: Curriculum Development and Teacher Training

**ACTION:** Notice—Request for Proposals.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Academic Programs of the United States Information Agency's Bureau of **Educational and Cultural Affairs** announces an open competition for up to two assistance awards. Public and private non-profit organizations meeting the provisions described in IRS regulation 26 CFR 1.501(c)(3)-1 may apply to cooperate in the planning and implementation of up to two curriculum development and teacher training projects for civic education in Russia. The recipient organization(s) will work with Russian partner organizations to be selected by USIS Moscow to assist Russian educators to draft, review, and field-test new teacher and student materials for secondary-level civic education. The grant(s), to be carried out over approximately eighteen months, will consist of three stages: (1) preliminary assessment and preparation, (2) a U.S.-based curriculum development workshop for a Russian

materials development team, and (3) post-workshop review and field-testing of materials. The cooperation with USIA will include regular consultation with USIA officers in Russia with regard to program development, implementation, and assessment. Applicant organizations may propose to cooperate with USIA on either one or both of these projects. Proposals should demonstrate expert knowledge of Russia and Russian education, as well as significant experience in civic education and curriculum development as practiced in the U.S.

Overall grant making authority for this program is contained in the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, Public Law 87-256, as amended, also known as the Fulbright-Hays Act. The purpose of the Act is "to enable the Government of the United States to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries\* \* \*; to strengthen the ties which unite us with other nations by demonstrating the educational and cultural interests, developments, and achievements of the people of the United States and other nations\* \* \* and thus to assist in the development of friendly, sympathetic and peaceful relations between the United States and the other countries of the world.

The funding authority for the program cited above is provided through the Freedom Support Act legislation (FSA). Programs and projects must conform with Agency requirements and guidelines outlined in the Solicitation Package. USIA projects and programs are subject to the availability of funds.

**ANNOUNCEMENT TITLE AND NUMBER:** All communications with USIA concerning this announcement should refer to the above title and reference number E/AS–96–04.

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSALS: All copies must be received at the U.S. Information Agency by 5 p.m. Washington, D.C. time on Monday, April 1, 1996. Faxed documents will not be accepted, nor will documents postmarked April 1 but received at a later date. It is the responsibility of each applicant to ensure that proposals are received by the above deadline. Proposals should plan for grant activities to begin approximately by June 1996 and to be completed approximately by December 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFROMATION, CONTACT: The Advising, Teaching, and Specialized Programs Division, E/AS Room 256, U.S. Information Agency, 301 4th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20547, telephone number 202/619–6038, fax